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A recording apparatus for recording digital information signals on a removable rewritable disc like recording medium has been proposed. The apparatus includes a writing device for recording the digital information signals and a controller for controlling the recording. The apparatus is capable of performing initialization, formatting and defect management of a rewritable medium. Further, the apparatus is capable of storing first file system data in a user area (UA) and second file system data in a general application area (GAA) on the medium. The controller is adapted to enlarge GAA and to store the second file system data in it. This increases a number of files in UA, which can be addressed by the second file system data.